Participials:

We use this verb form as an adjective.

Ex:

Grilled steak, steamed vegetables, fried potatoes, and mouthwatering cheesecake made us full and happy.

Participial phrases

A participle with more words; the whole phrase serves as an adjective.

Ex:

(participial phrase)

cooked over an open fire

drizzled with chocolate

pleasing millions daily

PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:

A: Read the first example sentence, please.
B: Grilled steak, steamed vegetables, fried potatoes, and mouthwatering cheesecake made us full and happy.
A: Sounds good. Do you see any participles?
B: I do indeed. Grilled is a participle.
A: How do you know? What’s a participle?
B: It’s a verb, grill, and it has the ending –ed.
A: Is it acting like a verb in this sentence?
B: No, it’s acting like an adjective.
A: How can you tell?
B: It describes steak.
A: Exactly. Do all participles end in –ed?
B: No. They can also end with –ing.
A: Do you see one of those?
B: Mouthwatering is one.
A: Excellent.